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SUBJECT: RQST FOR TREATMENT OF FOREIGN NATL AT US MIL MED
FACILITY--LT HUSSEIN AHMAD ELIAS

REF: DEPT OF STATE AIRGRAM A-9211, 17 DEC 74, TREATMENT
OF FOREIGN NATIONALS AT US MILITARY MEDICAL FACILITIES

1. MG SALEH KURDI, COMMAND ROYAL JORDANIAN AIR FORCE, HAS REQUESTED USAF HELP IN EVALUATING AND RECOMMENDING TREATMENT FOR SUBJECT OFF, A PILOT IN THE RJAF. BRIG DR M. I. MARAQA, CHIEF OF NEUROSURGERY AND DIRECTOR OF THE KING HUSSEIN MEDICAL CENTER IN AMMAN, HAS PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING BREPOT: QUOTE: THE ABOVE NAMED 23 YEAR OLD FIGHTER PILOT ATTENDED SEVERAL TIMES TO THE OUTPATIENT CLINICS AT KING HUSSEIN MEDICAL CENTRE DURING THE PERIOD MAY 2, 1976 AND SEP 29, 1977. HIS MAIN COMPLAINT WAS LOW BACK PAIN EXTENDING UP TO HIS NECK. THE PAIN OCCURS ONLY DURING A CERTAIN TYPE OF FLYING (3G) AND LASTS FOR TWO DAYS, HE CLAIMS IT IS VERY SEVERE AND ASSOCIATED WITH MUSCLE SPASM OF THE NECK WITH ROTATION. NO RADIATION TO THE ARMS OR LEGS. NO NUMBNESS OR PARASTHESIA. NO SPHINCTERIC DISTURBANCES. NO HEADACHE OR VERTIGO. CLINICAL EXAMINATION OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM AS WELL AS OF THE SPINE PERFORMED BY THE NEUROLOGICAL TEAM REVEALED THE FOLLOWING: MENTAL STATE: NORAL; CRANIAL NERVES: NORMAL; FUNCTION: NORMAL; TONE, POWER, COORDINATION: UNCLASSIFIED

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NORMAL; REFLEXES: PRESENT AND EQUAL; SENSATION TO ALL MODALITIES: NORAL. THE ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEON, HOWEVER, WHO ALSO EXAMINED THIS PATIENT, THOUGHT THAT HE HAS A CATCH UP IN THE EXTENSION OF THE BACK WHEREBY THE POSSIBILITY OF MECHANICAL INSTABILITY OF THE LUMBAR SPINE WAS CONSIDERED AS A VERY REMOTE ONE.
UNQUOTE.

2. GEN KURDI HAS REQUESTED EVALUATION/TREATMENT AT A USAF HOSP IN EUROPE, IF POSS. TREATMENT WILL ENHANCE US/JO RELATIONSHIPS AND IS THEREFORE IN US NATL INTEREST. GEN KURDI'S REQUEST WAS TENDERED ONLY AFTER EXHAUSTING BEST AVAILABLE MEDICAL SOURCES IN JORDAN. EVALUATION/TREATMENT COSTS WILL BE FULLY REIMBURSED BY GOJ. RECOMMEND APPROVAL.
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